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SUMMARY: DENKTASH, INJECTING HIMSELF FURTHER INTO
CLERIDES-GOC DISPUTE OVER GREEK CYPRIOT NEGOTIATING
STANCE, HAS STAKED A NEW AND TOUGHER POSITION WHICH HARMS
AS WELL AS HURTS CLERIDES' CASE AND WHICH FURTHER DIMS
PROSPECTS FOR SETTLEMENT. DENKTASH SAID THAT TURKISH
FLEXIBILITY ON TERRITORY HAS BEEN REDUCED AS A
RESULT OF TIME AND RESETTLEMENT OF TURK CYPRIOT
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REFUGEES; RETURN OF VAROSHA HAD NEVER BEEN CONTEMPLATED;

TIME HAS COME TO SETTLE REFUGEES STILL IN
REHABILITATION CAMPS IN "SOME PARTS OF VAROSHA";
FRAMEWORK FOR SOLUTION THAT EXISTED DURING THE
SECOND AND THIRD ROUND OF VIENNA TALKS NO LONGER
EXISTS; PASSAGE OF TIME AND CONSOLIDATION OF
THINGS IN NORTH HAVE LED TO NEW CRITERIA.
DENKTASH REPEATED WILLINGNESS TO DISCUSS BORDER
READJUSTMENTS AND HINTED THAT CRITERIA MIGHT BE
SOFTENED IF NEGOTIATIONS ARE HELD WITH A LEADER-
SHIP SEEKING SOLUTION WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF EXISTING
REALITIES. END SUMMARY

1. TURK CYPRIOT LEADER DENKTASH, ANXIOUS TO PROTECT
HIS DOMESTIC FLANK AGAINST POSSIBLE CHARGES OF BEING
"SOFT" ON THE GREEKS AND TO SHOW THAT MAKARIOS'
"LONG STRUGGLE" POLICY WILL ONLY LEAD TO A HARDENING
OF TURKISH POSITIONS, HAS OUTLINED NEW AND TOUGHER
LINE IN JULY 3 STATEMENT TO TURK CYPRIOT PRESS.
ALLUDING TO CLERIDES-GOC DISPUTE OVER WHETHER TURKS
HAD PROMISED RETURN FAMAGUSTA, DENKTASH SAID:
"WE PRESENTED THEM (GREEK CYPRIOTS) WITH CERTAIN
CRITERIA ON THE TERRITORIAL ISSUE. ONE OF THEM WAS
THAT WE SHOULD NOT EVACUATE AREAS THAT HAD BEEN
REHABILITATED. IF YOU STUDY THE AREAS REHABILITATED
WHEN THE SECOND ROUND OF VIENNA TALKS WERE HALD,
YOU WILL OBSERVE THAT RESETTLEMENT WAS IN A SMALLER
AREA THAN AT PRESENT. THEREFORE, THERE COULD HAVE
BEEN MORE FLEXIBILITY AND THE LINE COULD HAVE FOLLOWED
A DIFFERENT COURSE AT THE NEGOTIATIONS ON TER-
RITORIAL READJUSTMENTS. AS MONTHS WENT BY AND
HOMELESS PEOPLE SETTLED IN THESE AREAS, UNSETTLED
AREAS HAVE SHRUNK."

2. "CONSEQUENTLY", DENKTASH CONTINUED, "FLEXIBILITY
HAS BEEN REDUCED IN THE QUESTION OF READJUSTMENT OF
BOUNDARIES THROUGH MAKARIOS' POLICY OF 'WAIT AND SEE'
HIS REFUSAL TO ALLOW MR. CLERIDES (TO NEGOTIATE SERIOUSLY)
AND HIS REJECTION OF EVERY OFFER. HOWEVER, IN OUR STATEMENTS ABOUT
TERRITORIAL READJUSTMENTS, WE NEVER CONTEMPLATED
A SOLUTION LIKE THE RETURN OF VAROSHA. WE HAVE NO
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SUCH RIGHT. OUR PUBLIC HAS NOT RECOGNIZED US ANY SUCH
AUTHORITY."

3. NOTING THAT GREEK CYPRIOT LEADERSHIP WAS ACTING
ON ASSUMPTION THAT PROLONGATION OF THE DISPUTE WOULD
BE TO ITS ADVANTAGE, DENKTASH ADDED: MAKARIOS IS
DECEIVING HIS PEOPLE THROUGH SLOGANS CALLING FOR A
LONG STRUGGLE. THE FACTS ARE CLEAR. IF THEY WANT

A RETURN TO NORMALITY, THE PROBLEM CAN BE SOLVED BY BORDER READJUSTMENTS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF PRESENT REALITIES. THERE WOULD BE A WEAK CENTRAL GOVERNMENT AND THE TURK CYPRIOT COMMUNITY SHOULD BE ABLE TO CONDUCT ITS OWN AFFAIRS WITHIN ITS OWN REGION AND FREE FROM GREEK CYPRIOT PRESSURE. THE TURK CYPRIOT AND GREEK CYPRIOT LEADERS SHOULD COOPERATE IN SPECIFIC FIELDS WITHIN AN AGREED FRAMEWORK. THE OTHER CRITERIA CONCERNS OUR SECURITY. IT IS ABOUT THE SECURITY OF THE REGION UNDER OUR CONTROL. IT IS CLOSELY CONNECTED WITH THE SECURITY OF FAMA-GUSTA AND THE PORT. THEREFORE, ALL ASPECTS OF THE QUESTION CAN ONLY BE DISCUSSED AT THE CONFERENCE TABLE BY EXPERTS."

4. REGARDING VAROSHA (NEW FAMAGUSTA): " THE FUTURE OF VAROSHA IS CLEAR. IT IS WITHIN THE TURK CYPRIOT REGION. THERE ARE HOTELS AND OTHER ENTERPRISES BELONGING TO FOREIGNERS. WE ARE QUITE PREPARED TO ALLOW FOREIGNERS TO COME AND OPERATE THEIR ENTERPRISES. THEY HAVE GREEK CYPRIOT PARTNERS. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE TFSC WILL REPLACE THE GREEK CYPRIOT PARTNERS. THEN, WE HAVE REFUGEES WAITING IN THE REHABILITATION CAMPS. WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS TIME TO SETTLE THESE REFUGEES IN SOME PART OF VAROSHA."

5. CONTINUING, DENKTASH ACKNOWLEDGED THAT "THERE HAS BEEN A HARDENING AGAINST THE GREEK CYPRIOTS SINCE THE SECOND ROUND OF VIENNA TALKS ABOUT THE FLEXIBILITY REGARDING THE READJUSTMENT OF THE BOUNDARIES. WE ARE NOT TO BLAME FOR THIS HARDENING. THIS IS DUE TO THE TIME FACTOR AND EVENTS. ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS,

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WHO ORDERED MR. CLERIDES NOT TO MAKE AN AGREEMENT
AT THE SECOND ROUND OF VIENNA TALKS, MUST LOOK BACK
NOW AND DRY. WHEN HE LOOKS BACK NEXT YEAR, HE WILL
WEEP EVEN MORE PROFOUNDLY. THIS HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE
SAME IN THE CYPRUS PROBLEM. THE GREEK CYPRIOTS HAVE
ALWAYS PURSUED A POLICY OF SOLVING EVERYTHING TO
SUIT THEIR INTERESTS WITHOUT RECOGNIZING ANY RIGHTS
TO THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS. TIME HAS WORKED AGAINST
THEM BECAUSE OF THEIR POLICY. IF THEY CONTINUE
THEIR POLICY TO SOLVE EVERYTHING IN ACCORDANCE
WITH THEIR WISHES, THEY WILL NATURALLY MISS MANY
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OPPORTUNITIES. THE FRAMEWORK FOR THE SOLUTION THAT
EXISTED DURING THE SECOND AND THIRD ROUND OF VIENNA TALKS
DOES NOT EXIST ANY MORE. THERE HAVE BEEN SOME
DEVELOPMENTS. THE CRITERIA HAVE CHANGED AND CERTAIN
THINGS HAVE CONSOLIDATED."

6. "THE MEANING OF THE LONG STRUGGLE POLICY OF
THE GREEK CYPRIOTS HAS BEEN EXPOSED. ALL THIS HAS
NATURALLY CAUSED REACTION AND LED TO NEW CRITERIA.
DIFFERENT CRITERIA ARE PUT FORWARD WHEN NEGOTIATING
WITH A GREEK CYPRIOT LEADERSHIP. THAT IS AFTER A
LONG-TERM STRUGGLE, BUT THESE CRITERIA MAY BE SOFTENED
IF NEGOTIATIONS ARE HELD WITH A LEADERSHIP SEEKING A
SOLUTION WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF EXISTING REALITIES.
MAKARIOS DOES NOT SEEM TO BE AWARE OF THIS."

7. COMMENT: DENKTASH'S STATEMENT BOTH HELPS AS WELL AS

HAMRS CLERIDES AND HIS CURRENT CHARGES AGAINST GOC FOR
HAVING MISSED OPPORTUNITIES FOR MORE FAVORABLE SETTLE-
MENT. WE SUSPECT THAT BOTH SUPPORTERS AND OPPONENTS OF
CLERIDES WILL FIND VINDICATION OF THEIR VIEWS IN THIS
LATEST EXPOSITION OF TURKISH POLICY. FIRST INDICATIONS
OF THIS ARE TWO EDITORIALS IN JULY 3 GREEK PRESS. COM-
MUNIST HARAVGHI SEES DENKTASH STATEMENT AS PROFF OF
TURKS' UNDERLYING AND UTTERLY INTRANSIGENT POSITION
FROM THE OUTSET AND AS BLOW TO CLERIDES ADVOCACY OF SO-
CALLED "REALISM." PRO-CLERIDES SIMERINI, ON OTHER HAND,
SYAS COLONIZATION OF FAMAGUSTA IS IMMINENT AND CALLS ON
GOC TO TAKE "LIGHTENING ACTION TO AVERT HORRIBLE NEW
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